(c) whether Members of Parliament have to pay again for the maintenance of this work of this responsibility fall on the concerned Department?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE): (a) As reported by Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation, MPLAD guidelines permit execution of electrification work from MPLAD fund. The Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation releases funds under MPLAD scheme.

(b) Further as reported by the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation, the district authorities of the State Governments/UTs implement the works based on the recommendations of the Hon'ble MPs. The requisite information is only available with district authorities of the State Government/UT Administrations.

(c) MPs do not have to pay for the maintenance of works recommended by them as the Guidelines do not permit maintenance of works. Guidelines stipulate that the district authorities should get in advance a firm commitment about the operation, upkeep and maintenance of the proposed asset from the user Agency concerned before the execution of the work from MPLAD's fund is sanctioned.

Rural Electrification in Bihar

†3444. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Suriyahi, Musharnian, Pakaria and Nanpatti villages of Phulparas section under the Madhubani district of Bihar were to be electrified in the first phase of Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana;

(b) whether it is a fact that the said villages have not been electrified till date; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the time limit fixed for electrification of these villages?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE): (a) to (c) Government of Bihar has assigned execution of rural electrification

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

works under Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojaja (RGGVY) in Madhubani district to National Hydro Electric Power Corporation (NHPC).

The localities mentioned in the question are not revenue villages. Three of the localities namely Suriyahi, Masharnian and Pakaria are hamlets/ tolas of revenue village Balraihi (code No. 00412900) whereas Nanpatti is hamlet/tola of revenue village Gurgawan (code No. 00413200).

The said four hamlets/tolas were not covered for electrification in the original Detailed Project Report (DPR) prepared by NHPC which was sanctioned in 2004-05 under scheme "Accelerated Electrification of One Lakh Villages and One Crore Households" which subsequently got subsumed in RGGVY.

The State Govt, of Bihar/NHPC has subsequently submitted the supplementary DPR covering electrification of said four hamlets/tolas, amongst other villages/habitations of Madhubani district for electrification under RGGVY.

The supplementary project proposal is for consideration in Phase-ll of the scheme in the Xl-Plan

Hydro Power projects of NTPC

3445. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that NTPC is entering hydro-power generation;

(b) the names of proposed hydro-power plants being built by NTPC along with their location and capacities;

(c) the names of hydro-power plants already being operated by NTPC;

(d) the total hydro power being generated by NTPC presently;

(e) whether Government have assessed the need for NTPC to diversify into hydro power; and

(f) if so, the details of such steps by NTPC?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHJL KUMAR SHINDE): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir, NTPC has already taken up development of the